

400 AMERICANS ASK PASSPORTS

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Berlin, Germany, Feb. 7.—(Via London, Feb. 7.)—The breach of diplomatic relations between the United States and Germany has developed the fact that there are some 400 native or naturalized Americans in Berlin, a large majority of whom have applied to the United States embassy for passports permitting them to leave Germany for Switzerland or Scandinavia.

About one-fourth of the total are Americans temporarily in Germany on business or to study. The other three-fourths are either naturalized citizens or the children of such.

They rushed to the embassy at the 11th hour to secure papers establishing their status after the departure of the American representatives.

The list of native Americans who have applied for permission to leave Germany on the earliest opportunity includes Edward and Joseph Lawrence, Chicago; Mrs. Olga Manna, San Francisco; Alfred Bellmann, California; Miss Mary Ethel Mather, Pittsburgh; Miss Mary Winnecker, Chicago; Miss Blanche Slovic, Oak Park, Ill.; Arthur Henry Venewyck, Milwaukee; Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. King, Chicago; Dr. Selman Isaacson, San Francisco; Mrs. Blaudina A. Beck and son, Triffin, Ohio; Mrs. Harriet Peck, Chicago; John P. Fallows, New York; Arthur W. Bates and family, Mrs. Ella Lehman and three children, Cleveland, O.; Dr. Jacques Brookowitz, Philadelphia; Dr. Henry Phillips, wife and children, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Mayer and three children, New York; John Mrs. Frederick W. Warren, Houston, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Peck, Littlefield, Conn.; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Devinen, Indianapolis; Joseph Turb, Scranton, Pa.; Mrs. Henry Eustis and mother, Mrs. Sawyer and sister, Meyer, Los Angeles; Philadelphia; Louis Lutz, New York; Oscar Pfing, Alabama; Carl S. Elliott, Philadelphia; and Freeman Higgins, New York.

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SINKING MAY NOT CAUSE WAR

Germany's Act Against the
California May Not
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Lifeboats on the port side were launched and that some of the passengers and crew were able to get away to land.

Passengers Are Calm.
A few who fell into the water were rescued. There was no panic and, although a number of passengers were injured, all acted in a calm and courageous manner. After being in the boat a short time they were picked up by a steamer and landed last evening. The purser's body was brought to land.

Was Armed for Defense.
The California was armed for defense but did not have an opportunity to use her guns as no submarine was seen.

There were pathetic scenes at the quay side where the survivors were landed. Many were only scantily clad for such severe weather. Nurses and doctors were waiting to care for injured, who are removed to hospitals.

**Pleading for News of His
Family, Englishman Brings
Tears to Officials' Eyes**

New York, Feb. 8.—It took the silent grief of John M. Little, Englishman, to bring keenly home to the officials and clerks of the Anchor line office today the loss of the steamship California.

Modestly, almost diffidently, Little, a spare, slight man, asked for news of his wife and four children, teenage passengers. The latest cable he was told, reported his wife and one child missing—the others had been saved.

But the wife and baby? He pleaded, "can't you give me a word of hope?"

No one dared reply. Tears swelled from Little's eyes. The bustling activity of the office and the bowled heads of the clerks seemed to him a mockery.

Straitening himself with an effort, Little squared his shoulders and walked away, the tears still streaming down his face.

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RUSSIAN TAKE GERMAN TRENCH

Dash Through Barbed Wire
in Face of Rifle and
Artillery Fire.

Petrograd, Russia, Feb. 8.—(By way of London.)—Russian detachments yesterday attacked the German positions near Kizilbaba in the Caucasus mountains, says the Russian official statement issued today, and despite artillery and rifle fire and mine explosions, dashed through the barbed wire entanglements and occupied the German first line trenches.

A German counter attack was not successful in recapturing the ground lost.

**Will Be Delivered From The
Saloniki Base With Tremendous Force.**

Paris, France, Jan. 18 (by mail).—Although they issued a public statement after their conference in Paris last March the war chiefs of the entente powers remained completely silent following their Rome conference the other day. But I have learned on indisputable authority that decisions of incalculable importance were arrived at.

The principal subjects discussed were:

The Saloniki expedition.

The relation between each nation's resources and its effective contribution to the war, bearing particularly upon (a) effectives; (b) munitions; (c) financial resources.

Preparation of offensive on all fronts for the coming spring.

While for obvious reasons I am not permitted to give details of the decisions arrived at, I am able to state that as regards the Macedonian front the entente powers have decided to unite by the French leaders and that at the chosen moment the offensive will be delivered from the Saloniki base with a heavy force hitherto conspicuously lacking.

The after war problems which the Rome conference discussed were given a heavy emphasis. None of the entente statesmen have any illusions as to the question of reconstruction of the world after the war, and compensation for war expenditure and damage to be obtained from Germany.

Postpone War Debts 100 Years.
The principal subject of discussion was the postponing of a final settlement of war debts to 100 years hence. In this way this generation, which has paid the awful blood price of the war, will not in addition be reduced to utter poverty. Generations still unborn will receive a heavy legacy of war debts, the price of national liberty and for the privilege of living under the institutions of the over country, however small the country be.

European taxation will remain moderate for some years, until the revival in trade is complete.

In this respect it is planned to have France, England, Italy and Russia work in harmony, the latter helping the poorer from generation to generation.

This plan in itself forebodes a post war quadruple alliance of a more intimate and binding nature than has ever characterized other alliances in the world's history; and if its purpose is to be fully fulfilled its duration is expected to be at least 100 years.

Rome at the time of the conference, tells me that entente statesmen do not expect the German government to make a serious effort to meet the country's financial liabilities toward its own people.

If, as expected, Germany wipes out her liabilities toward her own people, a clean sheet, she will obviously be in a position of economic superiority to the entente countries while the latter are struggling to find ways and means of meeting their indebtedness.

Will Be Labor Famine.
Social problems will be no less grave. Of all the entente countries, France will have suffered most heavily in men in relation to her population by the time the war is over. By the end of this year her dead or permanently incapacitated may reach 5,000,000, and England, Italy and Russia will suffer after the same rate. At the same time, Germany's losses will be found to be enormous, both in men and in material, to those of any other country in the war.

This means that in every town and village labor will be scarce. Emigration will be brought to a standstill for at least this generation, and perhaps the next. The world's population will be directly affected, while it is certain that the development of Canada will be set back for half a century.

Plan Simultaneous Moves.
The greatest and most pressing question dealt with by the Rome conference was the question of simultaneous moves by the commanders in chief, but it is no secret that by next April the millions of men and women working munitions factories will have produced sufficiently enormous quantities of guns and shells for the beginning of a continuous offensive that will drive beyond repair the belt of iron laid by the German invaders across Europe.

COLE, GLENNAN CHIEF SURGEON.
Col. James D. Glennan, who has been in charge of the military corps at El Paso, has been appointed chief surgeon of the El Paso military district by Maj. Gen. J. J. Pershing. He is expected here Friday to take charge of the office.

J. S. CURTIS, OF CURTIS, MANAGING & COMPANY, RETURNED THIS MORNING FROM A BUSINESS TRIP TO CHICAGO, NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON.

RECRUITING OFFICER RETURNS.
Lieut. J. W. McNeal, of the United States recruiting service office at El Paso, has returned from Albuquerque, N. M., and Amarillo, Texas, where he has installed auxiliary recruiting stations which will be under the charge of Capt. F. W. Fonda, commander of the El Paso recruiting office.

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SIXT REGIMENT COMMITTEE MEETS COL. NOBLE

Commerce Chamber Com-
mittee Meets Col. Noble
at Hart's Viaduct.

The Sixth United States Infantry was reported due to reach El Paso from Columbus at 12:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon. Arrangements to give the regiment a reception were made by city officials and officers and members of the chamber of commerce. A delegation headed by president John M. Wyatt, chamber of commerce; mayor Tom Lea and A. P. Coler, chairman of the military affairs committee, went out to greet the commander, Col. Robert H. Noble, at Hart's Viaduct.

Band Serenade Its Regiment.
The Sixth United States Infantry was met at El Paso while the regiment has been in El Paso was also at Hart's viaduct to serenade the regiment. The Sixth made the journey in motor trucks. The regiment left Columbus Wednesday, taking lunch at Montoya, N. M., Thursday.

First Battalion of the Fourth Field Artillery, the 15th infantry, second regiment of engineers, provisional ambulance company, and field hospital company, No. 2, commanded by Col. Lucien G. Barry, left Columbus Thursday for El Paso. The second battalion of the 15th infantry is expected to start late Thursday. The 15th infantry is in motor trucks and will reach El Paso about noon Friday.

EXTINGUISHES BLAZE WITH HANDS; SAVES INVALIDS

The action of trooper J. L. Wiggins, troop L, Georgia cavalry, a patient in the Georgia camp hospital, in extinguishing a fire in a hospital tent in which several patients were confined, probably saved some of them from injury. Trooper Wiggins was bowed by flames from the stove pipe and trooper Wiggins jumped from his bed, and, climbing the stairs, extinguished the blaze with his hands.

SAINT LEE REED CROSS TO MEET

New Mexico Capital Residents Take Steps to Prepare for War Succor.

Santa Fe, N. M., Feb. 8.—Chief Justice R. H. Hanna has called a meeting of the Red Cross society for this afternoon at the supreme court room. This is in response to a call from Red Cross headquarters in Washington, D. C., for intensive and organized activity. Every Red Cross member is to get to work, to encourage recruiting, prepare medical and hospital supplies and in every way and manner to help in preparation for war and its successful prosecution.

GEN. SPEAKS'S SECOND OHIO BRIGADE IN STADIUM PICTURE

The Second Ohio brigade, more than 2000 strong, under the command of Gen. John C. Speaks, marched to the high school stadium Thursday morning and was photographed. The Eighth Ohio infantry, Lieut. Col. Charles C. Zimmerman, commanding the Fifth Ohio infantry, Col. Charles X. Zimmerman, commanding, and the Fourth Ohio infantry, with Col. B. L. Barger in command, were formed on the steps of the stadium at 1 o'clock. The Herald's staff photographer made a negative which he brought back the face of every man in the brigade.

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While the regiments were forming for the picture, the bands of the outlying regiments were playing music. Owing to the illness of Col. Edward Vellath, he was unable to command the Eighth Ohio for the exhibition.

COMPANY K IN DRILL PERIOD AT SAN ANTONIO

Advices from Ft. Sam Houston, San Antonio, say that the Fourth Texas infantry, of which company K, of El Paso, is a part, will be in the city of El Paso, Bend district by train from Fort Sam Houston Sunday to take station at the El Paso military district. The train will leave El Paso Saturday, and the Fourth Texas on border duty.

From information given out by Gen. Funston, the Fourth will not be relieved from duty for some time, but will go into training. The other Texas regiments are at Corpus Christi being drilled.

No early return home for muster out is contemplated for the First New Mexico and First Arizona infantry regiments, according to the report from Fort Sam Houston.

GEN. PERSHING NAMES HIS STAFF FOR THE DISTRICT

Maj. Gen. John J. Pershing on Thursday announced his staff which will be headed with him in the El Paso military district. The staff is as follows:

Lieut. Col. Wm. F. Martin, chief of staff; Lieut. Col. Henry H. Whitney, adjutant general; Maj. John L. Hines, assistant adjutant general; Capt. William O. Reed, intelligence officer; Lieut. Col. John C. Bales, and Major Shallenberger, aids; and Lieut. George Patton, attached to headquarters in charge of mounted detachment.

Col. George O. Cross has been appointed district inspector on Gen. Pershing's staff and Maj. H. E. Glynn has been appointed assistant district inspector.

WIRE INVITATIONS TO ARMY CHIEFS TO PERSHING DINNER

Invitations were telegraphed by the military affairs committee of the chamber of commerce Wednesday to Gen. Pershing, Maj. Gen. Martin, Maj. Gen. B. L. Barger, Maj. Gen. J. J. Pershing, Maj. Gen. H. L. Scott, chief of staff of the United States army at Washington, and Maj. Gen. Frederick Funston, commander of the southern department at San Antonio, to attend the banquet which will be held here Saturday night in honor of Maj. Gen. J. J. Pershing's return to El Paso.

Because of the short time before the banquet, the invitations were telegraphed instead of mailed. They were signed by A. P. Coler, chairman of the military committee.

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Assessor Cain Says Assessed
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Through an error in assessment, the taxable valuation of property in El Paso has been approximately \$55,000,000 instead of \$75,000,000 or \$80,000,000, according to county assessor J. T. Cain. In going over the assessments which have been made, assessor Cain has made reductions of some \$100,000, he says, through the fact that many pieces of property had not been assessed properly.

"Regarding the movement for the equalization of taxation," said Mr. Cain, "I believe there must be something wrong when the total assessed valuation of city property is only \$55,000,000, and the county property only \$55,000,000. There are many farms, properties, such as the cement plant, which are outside the city limits, which, when assessed properly, will increase the county valuation considerably."

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PVT. J. M. MERZ THROWN FROM TRUCK; IN HOSPITAL

Private J. M. Merz, of the medical department of the army, was seriously injured Thursday morning at 11:30 o'clock when he was thrown from the running board of a truck at Virginia and Texas streets. The truck, which is said to have been driven by a sergeant of the medical corps, did not stop at the accident, but continued down Texas street. It was said by witnesses:

Private Merz was placed in an automobile and taken to the hospital. He is now in the hospital, where he was found to have received numerous cuts and bruises and possibly internal injuries.

The injured soldier had not regained consciousness when he was removed to the base hospital.

11TH DIVISION CONDUCTS CAVALRY COMPETITION

The provisional regiment of cavalry of the 11th division which is composed of national guard organizations, is conducting a cavalry competition, which will continue for several days. The competition was begun Thursday morning with inspection of all equipment, tests in horsemanship, jumping, close order drill and extended order drill, charges and other tests.

A board of judges, composed of Maj. John B. Christian, 17th cavalry; Maj. C. B. Sweeney, 17th cavalry; and Lieut. Alexander E. Cooke, eighth cavalry, is attending the competition. The competition is in charge of Maj. Dudley J. Hard, commander of the Ohio cavalry.

TWO DAY FIGHT REPORTED IN SAN ANDRES DISTRICT

Fighting has been in progress for two days between San Andres and Santa Ysabel, Chihuahua, according to a report received by government agents today. One hundred and fifty wounded men were taken to the base hospital at Chihuahua City. The report added that Francisco Villa with a large force had captured a large number of Carranza cavalry in a flank attack near San Andres.

Gen. Fernandez, who was sent by Carranza to reinforce the forces at Durango, has formed a junction with his leader, according to the same source.

3000 CARRANZA SOLDIERS TO OCCUPY GALEANA DISTRICT

Naco, Ariz., Feb. 8.—The Carranza authorities across the border announced tonight that they were awaiting the arrival of 62 cars filled with Mexican soldiers and equipment from La Colorado and Chihuahua near Hermosillo. These troops, numbering about 3000 men, of whom part are mounted, will be sent, they said, from Sonora into the state of Chihuahua, later to be ordered by Gen. Pershing. The trains are due to arrive at Nogales tonight and tomorrow, Gen. Serrano is in command of the troops.

OFFICIAL SHOT BY VILLA BANDITS; AIDED AMERICANS

Because of assistance he gave American forces in Mexico, the Mexican chief of police of El Paso was executed a few days ago by Villa bandits under Rodrigo Quevedo, according to advices reaching the border. Quevedo and his 80 followers had entered the Valle soon after the withdrawal of the American troops and arrested the chief of police. After they executed the town and are now reported in the vicinity of San Lorenzo.

MEXICO RESTORES PENSION PAYMENTS TO ITS SOLDIERS

Mexico City, Feb. 8.—An order has been issued by the department of the treasury reestablishing payment of pensions to soldiers of the former army the pensions they received from the government prior to February 15, 1915, the date on which Huerta seized the government. The pensions will be paid half in coin and half in bonds of the national debt.

AMARILLO RIFLE CLUB OFFERS COUNTRY SERVICES

Amarillo, Texas, Feb. 8.—Offering their services for the defence of the country in case of war, 112 members of the Amarillo rifle club have been elected to the national guard. The secretary of war Baker, following a meeting here yesterday.

Several local automobile dealers have received telegrams from the factory asking the number of cars on hand.

RESCUED ARMY AVIATOR RESUMES ACTIVE DUTY

San Diego, Cal., Feb. 7.—Lieutenant W. A. Robertson, who with Lieutenant Harry E. Bishop was rescued after having been lost for eight days on the Sonora desert during a flight last month, went aloft today for the first time since his return. He has fully recovered from his experiences on the desert and has resumed active duty at the North Island school.

CRITICIZES ARMY; GETS SIX MONTHS AND \$50 FINE

Nogales, Ariz., Feb. 8.—A sentence of six months imprisonment and a fine of \$50 was imposed upon Benjamin May, of Dallas, a member of the United States army company of the first Alabama infantry, who was tried by court martial on a charge of criticizing army conditions in a letter alleged to have been written by him to his brother, sheriff John May, of Dallas. It was announced today.

Military Shoes and Boots